BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 2005-202

TEREZA PARTOW 22360 Cass Avenue Woodland Hills, CA 91364

Registered Nurse License No. 539249

Respondent.

DECISION

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on June 11, 2008.

IT IS SO ORDERED this June 11, 2008.

President

Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs

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8 9	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
10	In the Matter of the Third Amended Accusation	Case No. 2005-202	
11	Against:	OAH No. L-2007120060	
12	TEREZA PARTOW 22360 Cass Avenue	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF	
13	Woodland Hills, CA 91364 Registered Nurse License No. 539249	LICENSE AND ORDER	
14	Respondent.		
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16	In the interest of a prompt and speedy resolution of this matter, consistent with the		
17	public interest and the responsibility of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of		
18	Consumer Affairs, the parties hereby agree to the following Stipulated Surrender of License and		
19	Order which will be submitted to the Board for approval and adoption as the final disposition of		
20	the Accusation.	·	
21	<u>PARTIES</u>		
22	1. Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H., R.N. (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of		
23	the Board of Registered Nursing (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity		
24	and is represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of		
25	California, by Scott J. Harris, Deputy Attorney General.		
26	2. Tereza Partow (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney		
27	Melanie Partow, whose address is 723 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291.		
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3. On or about December 12, 1997, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse License No. 539249 to Respondent. The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202 and will expire on August 31, 2009, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on March 13, 2008. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Third Amended Accusation. A copy of Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202.
 Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Third Amended Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

CULPABILITY

8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202, agrees that cause exists for discipline, and hereby surrenders her Registered Nurse License No. 539249 for the Board's formal acceptance.

9. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the 1 Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Registered Nurse License without further 2 3 process. RESERVATION 4 5 10. The admissions made by Respondent herein are only for the purposes of 6 this proceeding, or any other proceedings in which the Board of Registered Nursing, Department 7 of Consumer Affairs or other professional licensing agency is involved, and shall not be 8 admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding. 9 **CONTINGENCY** 10 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Registered 11 Nursing. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the 12 Board of Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation 13 and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw this agreement or seek 14 15 to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails 16 to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary 17 Order shall be of no force or effect, and, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by 18 19 having considered this matter. 20 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated 21 Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force. 22 and effect as the originals. 23 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties 24 agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the 25 following Order: 26 /// 27 ///

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 539249, issued to Respondent Tereza Partow is surrendered and accepted by the Board of Registered Nursing.

- 14. The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.
- 15. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Registered Nurse in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 16. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both her wall and pocket license certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 18. Upon reinstatement of the license, Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of five-thousand, seven-hundred and sixty-six dollars and zero cents (\$5,766.00). Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board.
- 19. Should Respondent ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing agency in the State of California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict licensure.

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2	two (2) years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.		
3	<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>		
4	I have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and Order and		
5	have fully discussed it with my attorney, Melanie Partow. I understand the stipulation and the		
6	effect it will have on my Registered Nurse License. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of		
7	License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the		
8	Decision and Order of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs.		
9	DATED: <u>April/02/2008</u> .		
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12	Respondent		
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14	I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Tereza Partow the terms and		
15	conditions and other matters contained in this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I		
16	approve its form and content.		
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20	MELANIE PARTOW		
21	Attorney for Respondent		
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ENDORSEMENT The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs. EDMUND G. BROWN JR., Attorney General of the State of California GLORIA A. BARRIOS Supervising Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant DOJ Matter ID: LA2004602236 60284145.wpd

Exhibit A Third Amended Accusation No. 2005-202

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11	STATE OF CAL	IFORTIA	
12	In the Matter of the Third Amended Accusation Against:	Case No. 2005-202	
13	TEREZA PARTOW		
14	22360 Cass Avenue Woodland Hills, CA 91364	THIRD AMENDED ACCUSATION	
15	Registered Nurse License No. 539249		
16	Respondent.		
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19	Complainant alleges:		
20	PARTIE	<u>2S</u>	
21	1. Ruth Ann Terry, M.P.H., R.N. (Complainant) brings this Third Amended		
22	Accusation solely in her official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered		
23	Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs (Board). This Third Amended Accusation supersedes		
24	and replaces nunc pro tunc the Accusations previously filed.		
25	2. On or about December 12, 1997, the Board issued Registered Nurse		
26	License No. 539249 to Tereza Partow (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full		
27	force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on August 31,		
28	2009, unless renewed.		
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Third Amended Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following laws. All Section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 2750 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2764 provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811, subdivision (b), the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
- 6. Section 118, subdivision (b), provides that the suspension, expiration, surrender, and/or, cancellation of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.
 - 7. Section 2761 states, in pertinent part:
- "The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:
 - "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(1) Incompetence, or gross negligence in carrying out usual certified or licensed nursing functions. . . ."

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"(f) Conviction of a felony or of any offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a registered nurse, in which event the record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence thereof."

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8. Section 2762 states, in pertinent part:

"In addition to other acts constituting unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [the Nursing Practice Act], it is unprofessional conduct for a person licensed under this chapter to do any of the following:

"(a) Obtain or possess in violation of law, or prescribe, or except as directed by a licensed physician and surgeon, dentist, or podiatrist administer to himself or herself, or furnish or administer to another, any controlled substance as defined in Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code or any dangerous drug or dangerous device as defined in Section 4022.

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"(b) Use of any controlled substances as defined in Division 10 (commencing with Section 11000) of the Health and Safety Code, or any dangerous drug or dangerous device as defined in Section 4022, or alcoholic beverages, to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious to himself or herself, any other person, or the public or to the extent that such use impairs his or her ability to conduct with safety to the public authorized by his or her license."

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"(e) Falsify, or make grossly incorrect, grossly inconsistent, or unintelligible entries in any hospital, patient, or other record pertaining to the substances described in subdivision (a) of this section."

9. Section 490 of the Code states:

"A board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action which a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition

of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provision under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code."

- 10. Health and Safety Code section 11173 states, in pertinent part:
- "(a) No person shall obtain or attempt to obtain controlled substances, or procure or attempt to procure the administration of or prescription for controlled substances, (1) by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or subterfuge; or (2) by the concealment of a material fact.
- "(b) No person shall make a false statement in any prescription, order, report, or record, required by this division. . . ."
 - 11. Health and Safety Code section 11350, subdivision (a), states:

"Except as otherwise provided in this division, every person who possesses (1) any controlled substance specified in subdivision (b) or (c), or paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 11054, specified in paragraph (14), (15), or (20) of subdivision (d) of Section 11054, or specified in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11055, or specified in subdivision (h) of Section 11056, or (2) any controlled substance classified in Schedule III, IV, or V which is a narcotic drug, unless upon the written prescription of a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or veterinarian licensed to practice in this state, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison."

Health and Safety Code section 11550, subdivision (a), states, in pertinent part:

"No person shall use, or be under the influence of any controlled substance which is (1) specified in subdivision (b), (c), or (e), or paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 11054, specified in paragraph (14), (15), (21), (22), or (23) of subdivision (d) of Section 11054, specified in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11055, or specified in paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (d) or in paragraph (3) of subdivision (e) of Section 11055, or (2) a narcotic drug classified in Schedule III, IV, or V, except when administered by or under the direction of a person licensed by the state to dispense, prescribe, or administer controlled substances. . . ."

13. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1442, states:

"As used in Section 2761 of the code, 'gross negligence' includes an extreme departure from the standard of care which, under similar circumstances, would have ordinarily

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been exercised by a competent registered nurse. Such an extreme departure means the repeated failure to provide nursing care as required or failure to provide care or to exercise ordinary precaution in a single situation which the nurse knew, or should have known, could have jeopardized the client's health or life."

14. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1443, states:

"As used in Section 2761 of the code, 'incompetence' means the lack of possession of or the failure to exercise that degree of learning, skill, care and experience ordinarily possessed and exercised by a competent registered nurse as described in Section 1443.5."

15. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1443.5 states, in pertinent

"A registered nurse shall be considered to be competent when he/she consistently demonstrates the ability to transfer scientific knowledge from social, biological and physical sciences in applying the nursing process, as follows:

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- "(4) Delegates tasks to subordinates based on the legal scopes of practice of the subordinates and on the preparation and capability needed in the tasks to be delegated, and effectively supervises nursing care being given by subordinates. . . ."
- 16. California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444 states, in pertinent part:

"A conviction shall be considered to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a registered nurse if to a substantial degree it evidences the present or potential fitness of a registered nurse to practice in a manner consistent with the public health, safety or welfare."

17. Section 125.3 provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

18. Demerol, a brand of meperidine hydrochloride, a derivative of the narcotic substance pethidine, is a Schedule II controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11055(c)(17) and is categorized as a dangerous drug pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 4022.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of a Substantially Related Crime)

- 19. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), in conjunction with Section 2761, subdivision (f) and section 490 as defined in California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1444, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent was convicted of a substantially related crime as follows:
- a. On or about September 12, 2007, Respondent was convicted of one count of violating Penal Code section 487, subdivision (a) (grand theft of property over \$400), a misdemeanor, in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, Van Nuys Courthouse, Case No. LA054123, entitled *The People of the State of California v. Tereza Partow*. The underlying circumstances resulted from Respondent's diversion and taking of controlled substances, specifically Demerol, from her place of employment, Northridge Hospital Medical Center, Northridge, California, in or between February and March 2005, as more fully discussed in paragraphs 25 and 26, below.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Obtain or Possess a Controlled Substance)

20. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), in conjunction with Section 2762, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about February 4, 2003, Respondent, while working as a registered nurse at St. John's Health Center, Santa Monica, California, admitted to the obtaining and possessing of Demerol without a prescription, in violation of Health and Safety Code sections 11173, subdivision (a), and 11350, subdivision (a).

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THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Self Administration of a Controlled Substance)

- 21. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), in conjunction with Section 2762, subdivision (b), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about February 4, 2003, Respondent admitted to self-medicating herself with the controlled substance and dangerous drug Demerol, without a prescription or direction of a physician, dentist or podiatrist in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11550, subdivision (a).
- 22. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about June 22, 2007, Respondent while working as a registered nurse for Linden Crest Surgery Center in Beverley Hills, CA., was found unconscious on the bathroom floor. Respondent was awakened. She was asked to submit to a drug test. The results of the blood test showed respondent to be positive for Demerol. Respondent was unable to produce a prescription for Demerol.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Gross Negligence)

- 23. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a)(1), as defined in California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1442, on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about February 4, 2003, and June 22, 2007, Respondent committed acts of gross negligence, as follows:
- a. Obtaining and possessing Demerol, a controlled substance and dangerous drug, while on duty as a registered nurse.
- b. Self-medicating herself with Demerol, a controlled substance and dangerous drug, without an authorized prescription.
- c. Compromising the care of patients through her lack of judgment when she depleted stores of Demerol through her own use depriving patients of its use to cause possible serious harm to the patients under her care.

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FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Incompetence)

24. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), as defined in California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 1443 and 1443.5, subdivision (a)(4), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about February 4, 2003, Respondent, by her own admission, failed to provide appropriate supervision to subordinate nursing staff when she tried to conceal her diversion of Demerol by advising them not to report the compromised Demerol stores.

SIXTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Obtaining Controlled Substances by Fraud, Deceit or Misrepresentation)

- 25. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761, subdivision (a), as defined in Section 2762, subdivision (a), for violating Health and Safety Code sections 11173, subdivision (a), and 11350, subdivision (a), on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that on or about four (4) days in February 2005, and four (4) days in March 2005, while on duty as a registered nurse at Northridge Hospital Medical Center, Northridge, California, Respondent obtained 4,200 mg Demerol, a controlled substance, by fraud, deceit, misrepresentation or subterfuge, as follows:
- a. Patient #87465746. On or about March 5, 2005, at 1616 hours,
 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
 failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
 records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- b. Patient #87448080. On or about February 19, 2005, at 1738 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- c. Patient #21130802. On or about February 15, 2005, at 0904 hours,

 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent

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failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

- d. Patient #21134960. On or about February 24, 2005, at 1055 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- Patient #21135892. On or about February 24, 2005, at 1505 hours. e. Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

f. Patient #8749873.

- (1) On or about February 19, 2005, at 0723 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- On or about February 19, 2005, at 1318 hours, Respondent signed out (2) 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (3) On or about February 19, 2005, at 1358 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

g. Patient #21134762.

(1) On or about March 6, 2005, at 0838 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

- (2) On or about March 6, 2005, at 1242 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- h. Patient #87433983. On or about February 15, 2005, at 1030 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- i. Patient #87446662. On or about February 24, 2005, at 0733 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- j. Patient #87426714. On or about February 12, 20005, at 1051 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- k. Patient #87449021. On or about March 5, 2005, at 0918 hours,
 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
 failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
 records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

1. <u>Patient #87464053</u>.

- (1) On or about March 6, 2005, at 1403 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about March 6, 2005, at 1911 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg

 Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of

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the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

m. Patient #87475166. On or about March 10, 2005, at 1800 hours,
Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

n. Patient #21127618.

- (1) On or about February 14, 2005, at 0735 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about February 19, 2005, at 0659 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

o. Patient #87464095.

- (1) On or about March 4, 2005, at 1121 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about March 6, 2005, at 1621 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (3) On or about March 6, 2005, at 1931 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

p. Patient #90500844.

- (1) On or about February 15, 2005, at 1212 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about February 15, 2005, at 1402 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

q. Patient #87439584.

- (1) On or about February 15, 2005, at 0718 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about February 15, 2005, at 1306 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (3) On or about February 15, 2005, at 1523 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

r. Patient #87475224.

- (1) On or about March 10, 2005, at 0743 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
 - (2) On or about March 10, 2005, at 0809 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg

Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

- (3) On or about March 10, 2005, at 1803 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- s. Patient #87430237. On or about February 19, 2005, at 0940 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- t. Patient #87445086. On or about February 24, 2005, at 0927 hours,
 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
 failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
 records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- u. Patient #41523655. On or about February 15, 2005, at 1736 hours,
 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
 failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
 records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- v. <u>Patient #21134622</u>. On or about February 19, 2005, at 0824 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- w. Patient #21134523. On or about February 24, 2005, at 0807 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

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x. Patient #21136098. On or about February 24, 2005, at 1348 hours,
Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent
failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital
records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.

y. **Patient #87463881**.

- (1) On or about March 4, 2005, at 0909 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (2) On or about March 5, 2005, at 0805 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (3) On or about March 5, 2005, at 1045 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (4) On or about March 5, 2005, at 1219 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- (5) On or about March 5, 2005, at 1844 hours, Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.
- z. Patient #87466843. On or about March 5, 2005, at 1759 hours,
 Respondent signed out 100mg Demerol without a physician order for this patient. Respondent

1	failed to record administration of the withdrawn medication to the patient on any hospital		
2	records. Respondent failed to account for 100mg Demerol in any hospital records.		
3	SEVENTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE		
4	(False Records)		
5	26. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761,		
6	subdivision (a), as defined in Section 2762, subdivision (e), on the grounds of unprofessional		
7	conduct, and violating Health and Safety Code sections 11173, subdivision (b), in that on or		
8	about four (4) days in February 2005, and four (4) days in March 2005, while on duty as a		
9	registered nurse at Northridge Hospital Medical Center, Northridge, California, Respondent		
10	made false, grossly incorrect, or grossly inconsistent entries in hospital records, failing to account		
11	for 4,200 mg of Demerol withdrawals, as set forth above in paragraph 25, above.		
12	<u>PRAYER</u>		
13	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein		
14	alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:		
15	1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License No. 539249, issued to		
16	Tereza Partow.		
17	2. Ordering Tereza Partow to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the		
18	reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and		
19	Professions Code section 125.3;		
20	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.		
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22	DATED: 3/12/08		
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24	RUTH ANN PERRY, M.P.H., R.N.		
25	Executive Officer		
26	Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs State of California		
27	Complainant		
28	Complantation		